all such proceedings the practice, pleadings, forms, and modes of proceedings shall conform as near as may be to the practice, pleadings, forms, and proceedings existing at the time in like causes in the courts of record of the State within which such district court is held, any rule of the court to the contrary notwithstanding".

Approved November 30, 1945.

[CHAPTER 497]

AN ACT

November 30, 1945 [H. R. 2874] [Public Law 233]

To amend the Code of Laws for the District of Columbia to authorize any corporation formed under authority of subchapter 3 of chapter 18 of such code to specify in its bylaws that a less number than a majority of its trustees may constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of the corporation.

D. C. Code, amendment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 601 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a code of law for the District of Columbia", approved March 3, 1901, as amended (D. C. Code, 1940

31 Stat. 1284.

edition, sec. 29-603), is amended to read as follows:

Trustees of incor-porated societies.

"SEC. 601. TRUSTEES.—Such incorporated society may elect its trustees, directors, or managers at such time and place and in such manner as may be specified in its bylaws, who shall have the control and management of the affairs and funds of the society, and a majority of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, unless a less number be specified as a quorum in the bylaws; and whenever any vacancy shall happen in such board of trustees, directors, or managers the vacancies shall be filled in such manner as shall be provided by the bylaws of the society."

Approved November 30, 1945.

ICHAPTER 498]

AN ACT

November 30, 1945 [H. R. 3636] [Public Law 234]

Relating to the sale, in the District of Columbia, of certain small rockfish.

D. C. Code, amendment.

31 Stat. 1336.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 899 of the Act to establish a code of law for the District of Columbia, approved March 3, 1901 (D. C. Code, 1940 edition, title 22, sec. 1605), is amended to read as follows:

Sale of small striped

"Sec. 899. Small Striped Bass.—It shall be unlawful for any person, prior to July 1, 1947, to offer for sale, to expose for sale, or to sell, in the District of Columbia, at any time during the year, any striped bass, locally called rockfish, which is less than eleven inches in length (measured from the tip of the nose to the tip of the tail), and it shall be unlawful for any person, on or after July 1, 1947, to offer for sale, to expose for sale, or to sell, in the District of Columbia, at any time during the year, any striped bass, locally called rockfish, which is less than twelve inches in length (measured from the tip of the nose to the tip of the tail)."

Approved November 30, 1945.

[CHAPTER 499]

AN ACT

November 30, 1945 [H. R. 3867] [Public Law 235]

To amend the Code of Laws for the District of Columbia with respect to the making and publishing of annual reports by trust companies.

D. C. Code, amendment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 730 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a code of law for the District of